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SUBJECT: CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES

REF: BONN 18140; STATE 256127

1. ON NOVEMBER 27 EMBOFF AGAIN DISCUSSED THE STATUS

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OF NEGOTIATIONS ON THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS

AND DUTIES WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S UN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS EXPERT DITTMANN. DITTMANN SAID THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF A "NO" VOTE WITH THE FRENCH EARLIER THIS WEEK. THE FRENCH HAD RESPONDED BY STATING THAT WHILE THERE WERE MANY GOOD REASONS FOR A "NO" VOTE THERE WERE POLITICAL FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED AND A FINAL DECISION ON HOW TO VOTE HAD NOT YET BEEN MADE. DITTMANN ADDED THAT THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN PARIS IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE FRENCH WILL EVENTUALLY ABSTAIN.

2. DITTMANN STATED THAT DURING RECENT DISCUSSIONS OF THE EC NINE IN BRUSSELS ON THE CHARTER THERE WAS A TENDENCY TO VOTE "NO" BUT THIS TENDENCY WAS TEMPERED BY THE DESIRE TO AWAIT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE DRAFT IN NEW YORK.

3. ACCORDING TO DITTMANN THE FINAL GERMAN POSITION WILL DEPEND ON HOW THE BRITISH AND FRENCH VOTE. IF THEY VOTE "NO" THE FRG WILL SURELY VOTE "NO" AS WELL. ON THE OTHER HAND THE FRG WOULD IN ALL PROBABILITY NOT VOTE "NO" IF IT WERE THE ONLY EC MEMBER TO DO SO.

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